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With Whom Is The Church Unpopular?

An Analysis Of A Common Objection

"I have never been interested in the Catholic Church because of its unpopularity."

This declaration expresses a state of mind, which controls millions of people.

But let us analyze such a frame of mind. If it be logical, then the same millions could not have been followers of Christ in His day because of His unpopularity. There must, therefore, be something wrong with it from the Christian viewpoint.

If such a frame of mind be logical, the same millions could not have accepted Christianity in the days when the Apostles were still living, yet would they not swear that the early Church was right?

The Church of Christ has been unpopular with certain classes from the day of its birth until our present time. But with whom? With Scribes and Pharisees; with Herods and High Priests of other religious bodies; with organizations, which would destroy Christianity itself. These, in turn, have always influenced the masses as they did in Christ's day: as they did in Nero's day; as they did in the days of Wickliffe, Huss, Luther, Henry VIII, Calvin, Campbell, Marx, Lenin, Calles, Azana, and other religious and political leaders.

At any time in history, whether it was a thousand years before Protestantism was born, or after its establishment in several countries in Europe, whenever an ambitious emperor or king, or prince found the Church in his way he joined causes with some ecclesiastic, who also was on the point of rebellion. Civil rulers and evil-minded ecclesiastics did this in the days of Christ, in the days of the apostles, in the late middle-ages, and are doing it in our day.

Some civil rulers after seeking divorces from their wives or other favors which the Church could not grant, severed connections with the Church, while they were wont to allege other reasons, such as: "We have found this man (meaning the pope) perverting our nation and forbidding to give tribute to Caesar" (Luke XXIII, 2.)

How often have we seen rival religious leaders imitate the jealous churchmen of Christ's day and declare: "If we let Him alone, all will believe in Him; and the Romans will come and take away our place and nation." (John XI, 48)?

How often have we seen conscienceless aspirants for high office attack the Church for fear it would later attack their tyrannical or unjust rule?

What Did Christ Say About It?

What does Christ foretell about the unpopularity of His religion? He says:

"If they have called the Goodman of the house Beelzebub, how much more them of his household?" (Matt. X, 24-25)

He says: "If you had been of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, therefore the world hateth you" (John XV, 19).

He says: "You shall be hated by all nations for My name's sake" (Matt. XXIV, 9).

He says: "If the world hate you, know ye that it hath hated Me before you" (John XV, 18).

"For they shall deliver you up in councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues. And you shall be brought before governors, and before kings for My sake. . . And you shall be hated by all men for My sake." (Matt. X, 17).

"Yea, the hour cometh that whosoever killeth you, will think that he doeth a service to God." (John XVI, 2).

"Blessed are they that suffer persecution for justice's sake: for theirs

is the kingdom of Heaven. Blessed are you when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for My sake: rejoice and be exceedingly glad: because your reward is very great in Heaven." (Matt. V, 11).

Again We Ask "With Whom?"

With which present-day forces is the Catholic Church most unpopular?

Is it not with forces which are fundamentally as anti-Protestant as anti-Catholic; as anti-religious as anti-good government? She is opposed most by the Communist, the radical Socialist, the anarchist; by atheistic organizations and, of course, by public men who hope to profit by the ascendancy of these forces.

We have instances in Russia, in Mexico, and in Spain. At the time the present provisional President of the Spanish Republic was selected we were told in the daily papers: "Outside the shift in the Government brought bands of communists and anti-clericals singing the 'Red Flag' through the streets of Madrid." The same press dispatches told us that many delegates fought vigorously for a government favorable to the Church, but "were overrun by the socialist steamroller." All through the press reports we note the underlying reasons for opposition to the Church. It is said, for instance, "too much property belonged to the Church"; "too many children were being educated in religious schools"; "there has been no divorce law in Spain." In other words, the time has come to attack both her faith and her morals, not in the name of a better religion, but of irreligion.

Are there actually reasons why people who have sympathy for the Christian religion generally, such as Protestant religious denominations, should rejoice over persecution of the Catholic Church? Do not be deceived: if any single Protestant organization commanded the spiritual allegiance of nearly all the people in any given country, and that organization stood for religious instruction and the practice of morality in accordance with the standards of the gospel, it would receive the same treatment the Catholic Church has received at the hands of hidden enemies of Christ.

Why Do Civil Rulers Oppose Her?

Civil rulers would never have made war on the Church, if she had been willing to become their tool. The principal reason why civil rulers wished to be supreme in the spiritual as well as the temporal order was that they might hush the voice of the religion over which they presided, the predominant religion of the land, and use it to promote their own selfish interests. The Greek Schismatic Church never developed much outside the territory of its establishment, because it was too closely allied to the civil governments of that area. In Jugo-Slavia to-day, the Greek Orthodox Church predominates, and is encouraged by the king, who himself is only a nominal member thereof, because that church will always do his bidding. Catholics in the same country, more religious and nearly as strong in number, have little favor with the government, but principally because their Church will not desert the teachings or the moral law of Christ in order to please him. Do you suppose there would have been any persecution of the Church in Mexico if the Church were willing to bow sycophantically before Carranza and Calles while they lent themselves to the promotion of irreligion and personally engaged in loot and even directed murder?

Character Of Enemies Makes Her Respected

The Church should really become popular because of the character of her professed enemies. Were not the

Head Catholic University Committee



Prelates who head the Special Committee on the National Celebration of Catholic University Day, Sunday, November 29. The Rt. Rev. Thomas C. O'Reilly (left), Bishop of Scranton, is chairman, and the Rt. Rev. Andrew J. Brennan, Bishop of Richmond, is vice-chairman. Catholic University Day will be observed in parishes throughout the United States with the aim of increasing interest in the University and increasing the results of the annual collection in its behalf to at least \$600,000 this year.

anarchist Ferrerites of Barcelona, who waged war on the Catholic Church, some years ago committed to principles subversive of orderly civil government as well? The Communists of Russia, opposed to religion of every form, are particularly hostile to the Catholic religion, knowing that it alone has inherent power to endure.

If you would not defend the infidelity of Renan or Voltaire or Rousseau or Diderot, then you cannot defend the opposition to the Catholic Church which they stirred up. If you have no sympathy for the Grand Orient in Latin countries, whose primary purpose is to promote international atheism and warfare on religion generally, then you cannot be in sympathy with the aggressive warfare which was waged against the Church at different times during the past century in Spain, Italy, Portugal, Mexico, Central America.

As a true-blooded American are you really proud of the secret propaganda conducted against the Catholic Church by the Know-Nothing Party, by the A. P. A. Party, by the Guardians of Liberty, by the Klux Klan, most of whose members insisted on their identity being concealed, and most of whose leaders would have been as strongly for the Catholic Church as against it, if such policy paid them as well in coin of the realm?

There was a day when practically all civilized nations belonged to the Catholic Church, and all these nations were happily united under a Christian League of Nations. Without any force, but by spontaneous common consent, the head of the Catholic Church was their Supreme Court of Appeal when their civil rulers were guilty of malfeasance in office. The Church was popular among all those who followed the Christian way of living; the head of the Church was trusted more than any other power.

Hostile Propaganda For Centuries

Therefore the unpopularity of the Church in our day, or at any other time, when not due to the strict discipline of the Catholic Church, must be and is due to hostile propaganda. This propaganda originated with civil rulers, who broke with Rome in the sixteenth century, who became wealthy by the confiscation of property of the Church, who banished the clergy of the Church in order

that the people might not be instructed in the Catholic faith, and who directed movements to educate the people in an opposite direction, both by literature and preaching, who rewarded the anti-Catholic and penalized the Catholic.

Historians of those days were the official historians of the ruling powers, who were ordered to praise the persecutor and condemn the persecuted. While history was written in this one-sided way the records of the Church, the story of Church history covering centuries, documents calculated to injure both the character and the story of the new writers and their abettors, were ordered destroyed. Historians since that day have, for the most part, based their narratives on the records sedulously preserved by heirs of the original offenders—records which, according to one of the most eminent of historians, disclosed a clear "conspiracy against the truth".

But Is The Church Universally Unpopular?

Despite the open hostility directed against the Catholic Church by organized effort and promoted consciously or unconsciously by churchmen of other religious organizations, the Catholic Church is by far the most popular church in Christendom. It claims a membership of some 325,000,000 people belonging to practically every race and nationality. It is the only Church which can claim practical universality. It is the Church of the common people, of the poor, who, in the words of Christ "would always be with us" and to preach to whom, also according to His own words, was His principal mission. On any given Sunday of the year it is safe to say that there are three or four times as many people in the Catholic churches as in all the Protestant churches combined.

Her temples are the only ones which are visited by large numbers on weekdays, and in which the prophecy of the Prophet Malachi is literally fulfilled, through the fact of a "clean oblation being offered to the Almighty from the rising to the setting of the sun" someplace. Never is there a moment of our day or night in which God is not worshipped publicly in the presence of a considerable number of people.

The Catholic Church is, therefore, the most popular church, with about

two-thirds of all the Christians in the world, even if it is the most unpopular with the other one-third, and with the groups of people who are enemies of the cross of Christ and enemies of religion itself.

Good Works Should Make Her Popular

Those who are not aroused to sympathy for the Catholic Church by the beauty of her faith, by her long record of loyalty to the Master, by the saints she has produced in every century, should be attracted to her because of what she is doing to-day and has always done for suffering humanity. Until the care of the deaf and the dumb, the blind, the feeble-minded, the orphan, the aged, the poor, the unfortunate, was converted into a business by the state, it was a service of love performed in sweet charity's name by the Catholic Church.

Even to-day she conducts more homes for each one of the groups just enumerated than all other religious and fraternal organizations taken together. More than half the hospitalization attention in the United States takes place in her institutions. It need not be stated that hospitals are not operated for profit. They afford the modern outlet for the care of the sick whom many old Religious Communities of Women formerly nursed in their respective homes. A religious motive inspires Catholic mercy and charity, whether dispensed in an institution or in the homes of the afflicted. That motive is the service of Christ through "the least of His brethren," in whom He is represented. The religious motive is inspired by the pleasure which our divine Savior says He receives from service performed for the needy and the suffering in His name: "For I was hungry and you gave Me to eat; I was thirsty and you gave Me to drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in, naked and you covered Me; sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me. . . Amen, I say to you, as long as you did it to one of these, My least brethren, you did it to Me" (Matt. XXV, 35-40).

The care of the afflicted by the state or county is handled as an economic and social necessity, as a need which must be met by no individual or religious organization in particular, and therefore, of necessity must be met by the Community. When the Catholic Church does make it her business to provide for the religious and spiritual care of any class of unfortunate, she does it because she believes that the furtherance of spiritual and corporal works of mercy should characterize the religion of Him, Whose life is summed up in the words: "He went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed" (Acts X, 38).

The Savior Of Our Civilization

It might seem, at first blush, paradoxical to credit the Catholic Church with saving society even in these, our own times, when it has been generally taken for granted that the Catholic Church has always been an obstructionist. But lay your prejudices aside just for a moment, and think. We have already referred to the anarchistic, the bolshevistic and the socialistic forces which have been hard at work to destroy the Catholic Church. It must be assumed, therefore, that the Catholic Church must be equally opposed to these forces. But are these not the very forces which have been doing their utmost to destroy constitutional government, whether in Russia, Germany, Austria, Hungary, China? Catholics constitute only two-fifths of the population of Germany, yet the political party, which has saved Germany from Sovietism and even from chaos, has been the Center, or so-called Catholic Party. Vienna was captured by radical socialists in the year 1922, and Austria as a whole would have fallen before these forces

were it not for a Catholic prelate. The Communists had possession of Budapest, Hungary, shortly after the World War, and were routed by the unifying influence of the Catholic Church. Jugo-Slavia was largely saved from the radicals through a Catholic clergyman Prime Minister. Ask Protestant Holland how much she owes to a Catholic leader.

Nearly every recent professional anti-Catholic agitator in the United States has been a socialist of the extreme type. In proof of this we would only ask you to read our booklet entitled "DEFAMERS OF THE CHURCH". Nearly every anti-Catholic paper and magazine circulated widely fifteen years ago was published by socialists, and they became aggressively anti-Catholic in order to secure the support of people who had no interest in Socialism, but who could be easily wrought up by the bogey of the "Catholic danger".

The greatest socialist leaders who ever lived said repeatedly that the only obstacle to the introduction of socialism internationally is the international Catholic Church. If this is not saying that the Catholic Church has been the savior of society and, to a great degree, of Christian civilization, what is the meaning of it?

The Catholic Church Saved Protestantism

If you are interested in the Christian religion at all you are grateful that the fundamental Christian beliefs have been preserved to our day. But by whom were they preserved?

Protestantism claims to rest on the Bible, but where did Protestantism obtain the Bible if not from the Catholic Church? The Bible has been a target of vehement attack not only by infidels but by Protestant modernists, and the most powerful voice raised in defense of the genuineness and the inspiration of Holy Scripture has been that of the Catholic Church.

By her very feasts, such as Christmas, Good Friday, Easter and Pentecost she keeps before the world the traditional Christian beliefs concerning the Incarnation, the Redemption, the establishment of a divine kingdom in this world.

Who has been a defender half so staunch as the Catholic Church of the indissolubility of the marriage bond? When the Supreme Head of the Catholic Church speaks in defense of fundamentals of Christian faith and morality his words reach not only his own children who constitute nearly two-thirds of all the Christians of the world, but professed Protestants and other non-Catholics as well. In these utterances he defends the best that is in Protestantism as well as he defends the Catholic faith.

If by any possibility the Catholic Church passed out of existence do you honestly believe that Protestantism would survive a single generation? Nearly all anti-Christian efforts are directed against the Catholic Church with the boast that if she can be destroyed Christianity itself will fall with her.

Humanly speaking the Catholic Church should be unpopular only with enemies of Christianity. Her unpopularity with others must be due to the false impressions they entertain concerning her, to the prejudices which they have imbibed in relation to her.

The Catholic Church is a standing rebuke to the irreligious, to the scoffer, to the immoral, to the dishonest. It is generally admitted that her people attend public worship better, pray more, practice self-denial to a greater degree, train their children more religiously, attach greater sanctity to marriage, rate purity higher, condemn the social evil more vehemently, defend the divine inspiration of the Bible more consistently than any other religious organization.

Why then should the Catholic Church be unpopular with those who would be with God rather than with the world, with Christ rather than against Him?

THERESA NEUMANN SERIES TO BE RESUMED NEXT WEEK

The series of articles dealing with Theresa Neumann is interrupted by the omission of this week's installment, but will be resumed in our next issue. The article is omitted this week because the editorial matter of this issue is devoted to but one subject. The articles on the Mass and the Leaflet Missal will also be continued next week.

Editorially Speaking

The Editorials appearing in this column are written or selected by the Diocesan Editor.

A TAINTED LITERARY FLOOD

Out of a total of 800 books for juveniles published last year, a committee of the Child Study Association found only 140 that were fit for children. Of the rest, more than 500 volumes were passed over as worthless, while 150 were found to be "actually harmful," embodying false ideals or sensationalism, often with a gangster or some villain as the hero. Nevertheless, the huge output of children's literature in 1930 must have proved financially profitable. Publisher's lists of books for juveniles covering the first nine months of the present year show an increase of 135 titles over the output for the same period last year. The popularity of modern books for children doubtless indicates that many of the old fairy tales are losing their hold, their places being taken by tawdry modern creations, either baneful in their effects on the child, or comparable in cultural value to the comic sections of the Sunday newspaper.

The attitude of the committee of the Child Study Association is that the child's reading should be supervised and that such supervision does not stultify the free development of the child's faculties but rather furthers it. Another school of opinion deprecates such supervision, lest it "rob the child of his sacred freedom of choice."

Somewhat inconsistently, so far as freedom of choice is concerned, the aims of this latter school received striking exemplification recently in the successful protest of a group of women against the inclusion of a devotional picture (Peggy and Peter saying their prayers) in a nursery volume depicting modern preparation for life. Doubtless this is an extreme case of the influence exercised by an outspoken but small minority. Yet, in view of the findings of the Child Study Association, it is apparently this sort of influence that is guiding authors and publishers in their output of modern books for children.

At the same time there appears to be a dearth of children's books from the pens of Catholic writers. The Catholic cultural background is an inexhaustible source of children's stories, and every teaching nun knows the child's vital interest in religion. Modern thought, having lost touch with the meaning of life, is driven more and more to cheap sensationalism to capture passing interest. The literary tastes and religious ideals of Catholic parents can be brought to bear effectively in protecting the child from these vulgar and cheapening influences, from this literary backwash and filge. The cultivation of religious ideals and discriminating taste must begin in the nursery, giving the child an opportunity to grow into a deepening appreciation of the really interesting and worthwhile things of life.

FORT WAYNE DISTRICT NEWS

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Fort Wayne Brevities

—An interesting and informative travelogue "Venice" was given by the Rev. Michael Andrew Chapman of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne, for the students of the art class at Central High School, Friday afternoon.

—Under auspices of the Blessed Virgin sodality of St. Joseph's church, Fort Wayne, of which the Rev. Charles F. Girardot is pastor, a public card party will be given in the parish auditorium, Brooklyn and Hale avenues at 8:15 o'clock Wednesday night, Dec. 2. Bridge, pinocle, euchre and buncio will be played and attractive prizes awarded. Misses Irene Bushman, Letta Schelmer and Virginia Danaher, officers, will be assisted by a special committee of sodalists. Proceeds of the party are for the benefit of the church.

—St. Catherine's Social service unit of the D. of L. Fort Wayne, of which Miss Katherine Noll is chairman, was entertained on Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. E. B. Miller, 2302 South Wayne avenue.

—Fort Wayne relatives were notified of the death of Daniel M. Hayes, which occurred at his home in Chicago Friday evening. Mr. Hayes was a former resident of Fort Wayne and spent his boyhood in Monroeville. Surviving are the wife, Catherine Quinn Hayes; a daughter Marian; two sons, George W. and Joseph D., all of Chicago. Mrs. John Lamp, Fort Wayne, is a niece of the deceased. Funeral services were conducted in Chicago followed by interment in the Catholic cemetery.

—Andrew Miller, 83, retired Decatur farmer, succumbed Thursday to injuries received the preceding night when struck by an automobile as he was walking along state road No. 27, a half mile south of Decatur. Mr. Miller was en route from his farm to his home when the accident occurred. He was a faithful member of St. Mary's church. He is survived by the widow and several children. The funeral was held Monday morning the Rev. Julius A. Seimetz, rector, officiating.

—A turkey bowling contest staged in the bowling alleys of the school, under the auspices of the Precious Blood Athletic association, Fort Wayne, opened the third week of November and closed Thanksgiving eve. Any three games counted. Ladies handicapped up to 150 and the men up to 180. The first prize was a turkey, the second prize a duck and the third, a chicken. The contest proved decidedly popular and encouraged a large number of players.

—Officers were installed, committee chairmen named and a program given by the school orchestra at the November business meeting of Central Catholic High school Mother's club, Fort Wayne, held Friday afternoon in the study hall. Mrs. Harry F. Kemner, president; Mrs. August Venderley, vice president; Mrs. George DeWald, secretary; Mrs. Henry Blasing, treasurer; were inducted into office. Mrs. Ernest J. Cutler, parliamentarian, gave a five-minute talk on motions and their uses. Committee chairmen were named as follows: Mrs. John Hilker, program; Mrs. Chester Pearson, social; Mrs. Henry Blasing, publicity. As a mark of appreciation of their extra-curricular work the boys in the

orchestra, who gave a special program, were each voted a sweater by the club. The next meeting will be a card party, December 17, on the mezzanine at Catholic Community center.

—The George Washington bi-centennial commission of the District of Columbia has received a recommendation of William H. Rohan, of 1150 Westover road, Fort Wayne, for the man to play the part of Washington in the five-night pageant at the foot of the Washington monument there in June. Arnold Kruckman, director of the Washington celebration, has sent out requests to all states to seek a person resembling the first president to qualify for the leading part in the pageant. Mr. Rohan is a well-known Catholic layman and president of the W. H. Rohan Bond company in the Cathedral city.

—Reception of candidates into the Christian Mothers' sodality, St. Peter's church, Fort Wayne, will be conducted Sunday of Advent, December 6, (second Sunday of Advent), by the V. Rev. Magr. Charles H. Tiele, rector. Monday, November 30, he will begin the conduct of a novena in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary to end on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, to be solemnly celebrated Tuesday, December 8.

—In order to increase the number of men singing in St. Peter's choir an announcement is made that tryouts of voices will be held Friday evening, November 27, in the assembly room of the school.

—Members of the choir of St. Joseph's church, Fort Wayne, were entertained recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest J. Cutler, 2210 Thompson avenue. Progressive cards were served. Guests at the social affair included: Joseph Rehm, Charles Strack, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blasing, Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Landolfi, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schurr, Misses Mary Lou and Ruth Murphy, Agnes Mart, Miss Sullivan, Jane Grabel and Mary Mangano.

—The annual pro-Thanksgiving public card party given on Tuesday night by the Blessed Virgin sodality of St. Andrew's church, Fort Wayne, proved markedly popular. Bridge, buncio, pinocle and euchre were played. Poultry prizes were given for high score and attendance. Misses Kinta and Dorothy Sax, Aquilina Kinta and Teresa Assies, officers of the sodality, formed the general committee.

—The wedding of Miss Flora Hertig and George J. Dirig, of Fort Wayne, took place at 8 o'clock Thanksgiving morning at St. Andrew's church, the Rev. Henry A. Hoerstmann, pastor, officiating. The bride was attended by her sister and the groom by his brother, John Dirig. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Dirig, of 3331 Reynolds street and is employed as a metal worker.

—George Bubbs, aged 65, a well-known farmer living on the Bluffton road, nine miles south of Fort Wayne, died Sunday at 6:10 p. m. at the Adams County Memorial hospital, Decatur, where he underwent an operation Wednesday. Death came after a relapse. He was born in Williamsport, Pa., and was brought to Allen county when three years of age. He was a member of St. Aloysius' church, Yoder and the Holy Name society. Surviving are the wife, Frances; four sons, Ralph, a member of the Fort Wayne police department; John, Joseph and Jerome; five daughters, Mrs. Irene Hiner, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Madeleine Biner, Greenville, O.; Misses Pauline, Grace and Hildegard Bubbs, all of Allen county; nine grandchildren, five sisters and two brothers. The funeral was held Wednesday morning from St. Aloysius' church.

Mrs. Mary A. Gallivan, Columbia City, Dies

Mrs. Mary A. Gallivan, 68, wife of Dennis Gallivan, Columbia City road contractor, died at her home at 11:30 o'clock Thursday morning, death resulting from a stroke of apoplexy. She was a member of St. Paul's church and the Rosary society. Deceased was a daughter of the late Hugh Gallagher and a native of Ohio. Besides her husband she is survived by two sons, John Gallivan and Thomas Gallivan, both of Columbia City; two brothers, Patrick Gallagher of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Edward Gallagher of Fort Wayne, who is a former sheriff of Whitley county. The funeral was held Monday morning at 9 o'clock from St. Paul's church, the Rev. Jesse Lothamer, pastor, officiating.

Monroeville Pioneer Citizen Succumbs

Mrs. Mary Gibson, 84, of Monroeville, died at 12:30 a. m. Friday at her home. Death was due to the infirmities of her advanced age. She was a member of St. Rose's church, Monroeville. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Catherine Gibson, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. Agnes Gremieux of Monroeville; and Mrs. Alice Gentry of Toledo, O.; three sons, Frank of Monroeville; Simon at home, and Charles Gibson, Fort Wayne; 22 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. The funeral was held Monday morning from St. Rose's church, the Rev. Theodore V. Fettig, officiating.

Men's Councils Used In Relief Campaign

Cincinnati—Pastors of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati have been instructed by the Rt. Rev. Joseph H. Albers, Auxiliary Bishop, to make use of the Council of Catholic Men in caring for the needy, the homeless and the sick.

It is not intended, the Bishop pointed out, in forwarding instructions from the Most Rev. John T. McNicholas, O. P., Archbishop of Cincinnati, that the parish councils should take over the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, but that they assist the pastors in raising funds for the latter and other parish agencies through which relief is extended.

43 C. C. H. S. Boys, Fort Wayne, Named On the Honor Roll

Announcement is made of a total of 43 students on the first honor roll of the new scholastic year at Central Catholic high school, Fort Wayne. The number constitutes almost one-seventh of the entire enrollment. There are 6 Seniors, 8 Juniors, 12 Sophomores, and 17 Freshmen, one-fifth of their class.

This list presented by the faculty, headed by Brother Harold, C. S. C., principal, is as follows:

Seniors—Paul Buzert, James Callahan, Joseph Crowley, Richard Glassey, Andrew Kelker, Albert Schnauffer, Juniors—Edward Bangert, Edward Bott, James Broderick, Edward Deneimer, John Junk, Jerome Ottenweller, Richard Ottenweller, Charles Smith.

Sophomores—John Ball, Jack Cutler, Edward Dwyer, Robert Eckert, Dallas Gamble, Jack Garvin, Frank Harlan, Paul Lauer, Julian Nomin, Bartus Quinn, John Schaffer, John Voora.

Freshmen—Robert Centlivre, William Cron, Joseph Flannery, Fred Forbush, Joseph Gartz, William Heary, Raymond Getz, Francis Heiden, Louis Lehl, Emmet Krouse, Francis O'Laughlin, Daniel Pell, Robert Reitz, Gregory Steigmeyer, Joseph Stetler, James E. Tannehill, Robert Till.

Precious Blood A. A. Forms Cage League

Managers of six of the leading basketball teams in Fort Wayne at a meeting held in the club rooms of the Precious Blood Athletic Association formed the Precious Blood Independent League. The circuit, composed of independent teams, will play regular league games every Sunday afternoon during the season.

The object of the league is to promote basketball interest in basketball in the city and provide a series of games which will end just before the annual independent tournament held each year at the Precious Blood school gym.

Managers present at the first organization meeting included: Leon Williams and James Wagner of the Journal-Gazette squad; Joseph Haaga and Wayne Bushman representing the Precious Blood Athletic Association; Ralph Manier representative of St. John the Baptist church net team; Edward Brendel and Glen Wolfcave of the City-Light-Tigers; Jim Rose acting for the Ben Hur team. All arrangements for the season were made at the meeting and a tentative schedule drawn up. A list of players was presented and voted on at a special session Friday night, November 20, and the schedule formally opened Sunday, November 22.

Precious Blood Cast Repeats Play Nov. 29

Owing to popular demand the Blessed Virgin Sodality of the Church of the Most Precious Blood, Fort Wayne, will repeat the four-act mystery comedy, "The Ghost Bird," Sunday, November 29. It was one of the most successful given at the parish and was presented Sunday and Monday nights, November 15 and 17. Unfavorable conditions proved a deterrent. Six young women from the sodality and an equal number of young men from the Holy Name Society formed an excellent cast. The players are: Miss Carolyn Sigl, Miss Mildred Magers, Miss Mary Alice Williams, Miss Lucy Schabas, Miss Marie Motter, Miss Loraine Bollhaver, Jerome Keller, Edward Sigl, Charles Yerrick, Ross Jordan, Wayne Bushman and Edward Horstmann. Proceeds will supplement the fund for the new school.

Mrs. Cora Thompson Heads State D. of L.

Mrs. Cora Thompson, of Richmond, was elected regent of the Daughters of Isabella on Saturday at a business session during the late convention held at Greensburg, Ind. Mrs. Sibyl Wisker, of Shelbyville, was elected vice-regent; Mrs. Oda Wiley, of Huntington, secretary; Mrs. Jessie M. Lynch, of Fort Wayne, treasurer; Mrs. Lillian M. O'Day, of Greensburg (former state regent), and Mrs. Mayme Keerner, of Jasper, trustees. Connersville was awarded the 1932 convention.

Mrs. Wiley State Officer

Miss Ruth Kindler, regent, and Mrs. Oda Wiley, past regent, of the Lady of Good Counsel Circle, Huntington, and Mrs. Jessie Lynch, regent of Our Lady of Victory Circle, Fort Wayne, returned Sunday evening from the state convention held in Greensburg, Ind., Nov. 20, 21 and 22. Mrs. Oda Wiley was elected state financial and recording secretary and Mrs. Jessie Lynch, state treasurer. Other state officers elected were Mrs. Cora Thompson, of Richmond, state regent; Mrs. Sibyl Wisker, of Shelbyville, state vice-regent; and Mrs. Mayme Keerner, of Jasper, trustees. The next state convention will be held in Connersville.

CAST FROM ST. JOHN'S GIVES COMEDY DEC. 6

Coached by Mrs. Dan Flanagan, a cast of 12 young men and women of St. John the Baptist church, Fort Wayne, will give their initial play, Sunday night, Dec. 6 at Catholic Community center. "Am I Intruding?" a popular three-act comedy will be presented. While the players have appeared in other productions, this is the first as a group, representative of the new southside parish of which the Rev. St. Joachim Ryder is pastor. Rehearsals are progressing and announcement will shortly be made of the cast. Miss Caroline Holz is general chairman of the special committee arranging for the play.

Negro Actor, Once A Mason, Tells of His Conversion

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priest. The priest came and soon after he left, two nuns arrived. The nuns stayed with the dying girl until they were relieved by two others, who in turn kept an unceasing vigil which ended only with death.

Without consulting anyone, Haynes, who was a 32nd degree Mason, bought a cheap catechism and for two years filled his soul with its beautiful teachings. Then and not until then did he go to a priest, the Rev. C. J. Plunket, pastor of St. Mark the Evangelist church in New York.

A confirmation class was in progress and Father Plunket handed Haynes a catechism and urged him to attend. Haynes was rehearsing for a play and found it impossible to be present.

"But Father," he said, "I already know this book by heart."

A few questions by the priest convinced him of Haynes' background and the next week he was baptized, made his first communion and was confirmed by Archbishop Dunn.

Haynes believes that the mysticism and beauty of Catholic ritual and dogma appeal strongly to the emotional of his race. Because it is the one faith that knows no color line, he is confident that with the spread of missionary activities, more and more Negroes will come to know the spiritual happiness that the Church of Rome has brought to him.

Born in Atlanta thirty-seven years ago, he moved to Chicago with his parents while still a young child. He returned to the South later on to continue his education and was graduated from the Atlanta University with a B. A. degree, intending to become a minister. His plans changed, however, and he went into the printing business.

Seven years ago he was offered a part as understudy to Charles Gilpin, great Negro actor, in "The Bottom of the Cup." Gilpin became ill and Haynes was called in to replace him. Later he played in "Rang Tang," "The Showboat" and in "Hallelujah" in the motion pictures. He is the only Negro actor member of the Catholic Actors' Guild of America.

When he was offered a part in "The Green Pastures," which is based on the southern Negroes' idea of the Bible, he asked permission to play and the Church's stand on the play and Father Plunket, after consulting with other priests, gave his permission. With so many Catholic actors playing in bluish plays, this simple act of obedience on the part of a convert has been hailed again and again by Catholic writers.

He has again nearly 800 performances of Adam and Eve, an apocryphal character, since this wonderful folk drama opened in New York, and he brings to both roles the beauty and sincerity of his own overpowering faith.

Walter W. Head Elected President Of Morris Plan

"In the election of Walter W. Head, former president of the American Bankers' Association as President of the Morris Plan Corporation of America, the Morris Plan of Industrial Banking gains the services of a man who is not only a national figure in banking but equally prominent as a social worker and civic club leader. Mrs. Grace D. Binder, secretary of the Fort Wayne Morris Plan Company, said today.

Mr. Head will have the advice and counsel of the board of directors of the Morris Plan Corporation of America numbering among its members eight of the country's outstanding executives of Morris Plan institutions, and the purpose of the corporation will be to develop Morris Plan nationally. The Morris Plan Corporation of America is the company which organizes new Morris Plan banks, all of which are local institutions with local boards of directors and local officers similar to the Fort Wayne Morris Plan Company.

"The Morris Plan of Industrial Banking was founded 21 years ago by Arthur J. Morris, who is today chairman of the board of the Morris Plan Corporation of America and has since loaned \$1,750,000,000 to approximately 7,000,000 people throughout the nation. Since its inception in 1915 the Fort Wayne Morris Plan Company has provided a financial service in this city for thousands of borrowers totaling \$12,000,000," Mrs. Binder said.

"The Morris Plan has grown steadily in this community for sixteen years, its fundamental precepts imbedded in a policy of safety first, service second and profit third. Mr. Head admirably personifies such a policy for the development of Morris Plan elsewhere.

COMEDY BY C. C. H. CAST PRESENTED AT CENTER

In presentation of their delightful three-act comedy "A Little French Girl" a cast of 10 students of Central Catholic high school, Fort Wayne, was greeted by large and appreciative audiences at Catholic Community center auditorium Sunday and Monday nights, Nov. 22-23. Four of the boys effectively essayed feminine roles, Robert Reitz appearing in the title role as Athalie Fouquet. James Tannehill, James McArdle and William Reed were the other feminine artists. Reed played the role of Jerome Ottenweller, Richard Glassey, Merwin Sorgen, Ralph Kelker, Cedric Gardt and Robert Bruehman. Brother Xavier, C. S. C., coached and directed the players. Under leadership of Brother Paul, C. S. C., an excellent program was given by C. C. H. S. orchestra.

Mistress: "Mandy, how do you manage to get your pie so neatly trimmed?"

Mandy: "Oh, that's easy, ma'am. Ah, just uses mah false teeth."

Notable Catholic Peace Statement Urges Disarming

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guidance which, if followed by Government and people, would conduce to the success of the Conference.

1. CHRISTIAN CHARITY IN INTERNATIONAL LIFE: In the first place Christian Charity must obtain between States as in private and national life. For Peace is the effect of Charity. There is no other power by which to destroy the fear and mistrust which are themselves the primary cause of competitive armaments. Catholics by prayer, by personal influence and by their contribution to national policies in every country, have a special duty to promote international goodwill and confidence. That is the "apostolate of peace" to which the Holiness Pope Pius XI called both clergy and laity in his Allocution at Christmas, 1930. "The best guarantee of tranquility," he wrote in 1922, "is not a forest of bayonets but mutual confidence and friendship."

2. DISARMAMENT AND ARBITRATION: It has been the immemorial tradition of the Church that arms may not lawfully be used except as the instrument of justice and in the last resort. Self-defense against aggression, which is itself a violation of order, and the vindication of justice when a grave injury has been suffered, these are traditionally laid down as just causes of war undertaken by the rulers of States; but the latter only under strict conditions, one of which is that there exists no higher tribunal which can secure restitution and effect a just settlement of the matter in dispute. It cannot be denied that the establishment of a Permanent Court of International Justice and of other tribunals for the settlement of different classes of international conflicts is a fact which must modify the right of any state to resort to war and to make preparations for war.

3. DISARMAMENT AND SANCTIONS: The established methods of international consultation and cooperation, and the obligations incumbent upon the majority of States by their treaty obligations to join in common action to resist and repel an aggressor—these are also considerations which, by rendering the emergency of self-defense against invasion more improbable, should also make it possible for each member of the society of nations to diminish the quantity and the financial burden of its own armaments. On the other hand so far as rivalry in armaments is a cause of disunion among Christian peoples, it weakens their resistance to the enemies of social order and of Christian civilization.

4. THE MORAL OBLIGATION TO KEEP FAITH: Such being the general case for the reduction and limitation of armaments arising from the Natural Law, Catholics have an added reason for desiring a general reduction. For it is a fundamental principle of International Ethics, reinforced by Christian tradition, that the pledged word must not be violated. Pope Benedict XV advocated a general, simultaneous, reciprocal reduction of armaments; such was the measure to which the Allied and Associated Powers committed themselves at the Peace Conference, 1919, and in the Peace Treaties. A definite promise was made by them to the defeated powers that the drastic reductions imposed upon Germany, Austria, Hungary and Bulgaria were only to be the beginning of that general reform. It is for Catholics to insist in the name of morality and national honor that this promise should be kept.

5. PAPAL TEACHING: Many statements by the Popes during the last fifty years concerned the danger of the competition for armaments as a cause of war; the reasons for desiring a reduction of armaments; and the place that this measure should play

in the organization of international society.

Tibbles' Candies Bring Back Famous Chocolates

Many readers will recall the delicious candies made by the late A. C. Aurents, of Fort Wayne, which were extensively advertised in this paper. The announcement at this time of Tibbles' Candies, "Muhler Made," 123 West Jefferson street, Fort Wayne, is of particular interest because in these quality chocolates is found that same famous quality, "Muhler Made" by Mr. Muhler, who formerly had charge of the production under the late Mr. Aurents. Tibbles' Candies, therefore, are quality made and "simply irresistible."

WEEK-END TREATS AT SACRED HEART

The past week end at Sacred Heart Academy has been filled with merry treats and surprises for the boys. Saturday afternoon found the older boys enjoying a radio party in the Community Room where they listened to the broadcasting of the Notre Dame-Southern California game. During an intermission the boys became so enthusiastic they wired their wishes to the Notre Dame team. The smaller boys spent the afternoon on a long hike.

At twelve o'clock Sunday the boys and their guests were ushered into the refectory which had been artistically decorated with autumn leaves and a color scheme of orange. Tall fruit bowls and tapers graced the tables where a Thanksgiving goose dinner awaited the delighted crowd. The afternoon was spent in games and pony-riding and the pleasant day closed with a final treat—a moving picture comedy shown in the assembly hall.

Four of the Academy boys attended the Notre Dame game. They were Richard Fox of Fort Wayne; George Colligan, John and Robert Lethbridge, of New York City. The Lethbridges were accompanied by their parents who traveled here from New York.

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Bureau of Information

Is it true that the Vatican contains 10,000 rooms and that occupants live in luxury?

You will be more impressed with an answer to this question furnished by a prominent Protestant who is very competent to speak on the subject. It is Richard Washburn Child, who was Ambassador from the United States to Italy from the year 1911 to 1924.

Recently he wrote a couple of articles for the LIBERTY Magazine on the relations between church and State in Italy, and calls "an old myth" the charge that the Vatican is a palace full of material riches. He says:

"The fact is that the Vatican, like St. Peter's, is an unfortified place of vast extent, to be sure, with a walled garden. It has not one-tenth the number of rooms that rumor and most of it is over to museums and libraries. The past is preserved. Only one official has lived there for many years and this is the Secretary of State, and it is a limited staff which in the bulk of the daily round of the Vatican.

"However solemn and slow may be the procedure, the manner of impression is that of rigorous simplicity. Some of the splendors of the past are painted upon the ceilings and the Middle Ages are here, just as they are in the houses of other old sovereigns. But now, as one waits to fulfill a mission here, one is conscious of a stately silence and the soft tread of bishops and cardinals, or of two of sunlight falls athwart the floor, rather severely and rarely furnished.

"It is difficult for sensible persons to interpret as the voices of conspiracy the low voices of the congregation which meet at intervals to discuss each its own current business of the Church. The restrained conference of individuals who bear the possibility of functioning of the hierarchy, one learns, have more the sphere of extreme conservatism than of the inception of new plots and programs. The Vatican is quick to be but painfully slow in new paths of promises. The very fact that the other ranks of the Church are filled with old men gives its dealings with the world the manners of the reluctance of age. To this is added the store traditions and the deep and long and immutable beaten paths of procedure not easily abandoned. And to that is added a profound sense of responsibility to the tradition and to the trust imposed on any individual who touches the life of the Church.

"As to the vast wealth of the Vatican, I was once asked by a well known United States Senator. My reply, I believe, was sensible. I said: 'Where is it? In securities? What are they? How many shares? In gold in the Vatican cellars? How did it get there? In art treasures—of course! But can the Vatican open an antique shop? No; the truth is that the expenses of maintaining the missions and relief under its care are great, and money goes out almost faster than contributions come in.'

How does the Catholic Church look upon moving pictures which show actual scenes of the Mass? I refer to a picture in which St. Peter's in Rome is shown and a priest saying Mass at the main altar is pictured.

As long as there is no disrespect shown the Church has no objection to scenes showing the sacrifice of the Mass. The picture to which you refer was, I believe, made under the direction of a Catholic priest who wished to use that means to instruct the people concerning the Holy Sacrifice.

If a workingman is making four dollars per day, what proportion should he give to his church and charity each month?

If such a man has a large family, he cannot give a great deal. However, if he were to set aside at least 3% of his daily wage for his church and charity, he may feel certain that God is never outdone in generosity. If he gives 3%, then he would be giving each week about 75c.

Dispensation Inquirer—There is nothing to prevent "Mary" from making her peace with the Church. The fact that she should tell her life's story to her confessor, which is all she need do, would be no humiliation for her daughter.

Catechism Of Christian Doctrine

By Rev. C. M. WINTERS, Lansing, Mich.

PRAYER

What are we doing when we pray?

When we pray we speak to God.

What do we tell Him?

Sometimes we bless His Holy Name.

Sometimes we beg His pardon for our sins.

Sometimes we thank Him for past favors.

Sometimes we ask for new favors.

How many kinds of prayer are there?

There are two kinds of prayer:

1. Vocal prayer, by which we express our thoughts in certain words with our lips.

2. Mental prayer, or meditation, by which we speak to God with our thoughts and hearts.

How do we make a meditation?

To make a meditation we read a little from a pious book, then think about it in our minds, and talk about it to God with our hearts.

Regis College Review Service

FOR SUPERIORS AND INFERIORS

By E. T. S.

THE SISTER IN CHARGE by Rev. J. Schmid, S. J., contains more wisdom and practical advice than is usually found in an entire shelf of average spiritual books. Though primarily intended for religious sisters, the principles apply equally to all who are called to the most part, the advice should be of untold benefit not only for those who hold posts of responsibility over others, but for those also who see the necessity of schooling themselves in the art of dealing with others in a loving, Christ-like manner. Completeness, order, clarity and simplicity are the main characteristics which may be called the exterior of the book. Its soul is the wisdom, presented with unerring balance of judgment, the fruit of long years of experience in directing souls. In particular, the chapter on the "Kingdom of God," the "Creative Word of Christ," and the "Wounded World," the present unassuming little volume accomplished its purpose admirably. It gives a deeper appreciation of Christ and His spirit. (Published by Benziger, Price \$1.15).

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After Dinner Story

WOODEN SPOIL

By Victor Rousseau

SYNOPSIS

Hilary Askew, a young American forester, inherits a tract of timber land in Canada from his uncle, and when he goes to claim his inheritance finds that Morris and Mr. Brouseau, the man whom his uncle had employed, are unfriendly toward him. They want to buy the land from him, at a very low price, but he refuses. Arriving at his lumber camp he meets a French Canadian, who he likes and trusts. He finds that his trust is not misplaced.

CHAPTER IX

THE SEIGNEUR EXPOSTULATES

Within the next few days Hilary had got hold of the outlines of the business. He spent many hours with Connell in the office, going over the books. It was evident that Morris had been bleeding the St. Boniface tract for the benefit of the St. Marie Company; but it seemed impossible to detect any evidence of actual fraud.

"What do you make of this, Lefe?" he asked, when he had summarized the figures. "According to the books nearly eighty-five per cent of the wood that went through the mill last season came from the St. Marie limits. That leaves only fifteen per cent from St. Boniface. Now, do you suppose Leblanc, with his four assistant foresters and seventy hands, didn't cut more than that?"

"I guess a good part of that St. Marie wood was ours," answered Lefe. "And the St. Marie Company pays a fixed charge for the use of the mill, irrespective of the amount of wood sent through. They ought to pay a royalty on the cord. Why, at this rate, we have practically been running the mill for their benefit."

"However, that isn't the point at present. We've got the figures showing how much lumber was cut by the jobbers, and they don't correspond with the amount that went through the mill. Where is that missing lumber?"

"In the paper mills, I guess," said Lefe. "If we can press that point home we can have a clear case against Morris. I'll send for Leblanc. He must be getting anxious about his lease, anyway."

Lefe reflected. "It's nearly a week since Morris went away," he answered. "He's been staying at St. Marie with Brouseau, and Brouseau hasn't made any sign yet. They've got something up their sleeves, I'm sure. I wouldn't hurry until they get ready. Leblanc knows that he can't renew his contract with any one but you."

"That's good advice," said Hilary, "because it's holding everything up. I'll send Baptiste up to Leblanc and tell him to come down and see me this afternoon."

Things had been going rather better than Hilary had hoped. Pay-day had passed, and the hands, having received their money in checks cashed at the store, had begun to realize that Hilary was at the head of affairs. Morris had not been at St. Boniface since his resignation. He had sent a cart for his furniture, and had been vindictive enough to strip the house of all the fixtures. Hilary had bought some cheap furniture at the store and taken up his abode in the office building, his cooking and cleaning being done by the wife of one of the hands.

The first thing that Hilary did was to look into the money situation. He found that his uncle had, fortunately, paid in a large sum shortly before his death, enough to settle all outstanding liabilities and to leave a credit in the Quebec of something more than thirty thousand dollars after the first of September. The monthly expenditure, however, averaged considerably over twelve thousand, and rose to fifteen during the winter months, and the only outstanding credit was from a small paper concern in Ontario, for a few thousand. The mill charges, upkeep, wages, teams and stabling were the principal items in an annual expenditure of nearly a hundred and sixty thousand. There was also the freight. Dupont owned four lumber schooners, which carried the output to its destination, in the hold and on deck, and towing loaded barges all owned by the St. Boniface Company, and leased for a song by the St. Marie. There was some correspondence about steam tugs, which seemed to have been ordered and countermanded, apparently on account of the uncertainty of the future. As for receipts, for receipts, the mill rights for four thousand was obviously a swindle; the store, which should have brought in a substantial sum, was rented by the St. Marie people, who seemed to have their finger everywhere, for two hundred and fifty, and the St. Boniface Company bought all their provisions from them. This was a gigantic leak, and in itself evidence of either dishonesty or gross incompetence on Morris' part. So far as Hilary could judge, the St. Marie Company was bleeding the St. Boniface Company white, living off it, and had not invested more than a trivial sum on its own property in the life. He had said, Brouseau was simply sitting tight and waiting to squeeze the St. Boniface out of existence preparatory to taking it over.

Hilary estimated that, with the amount of labor employed and the capacity of the roasting mill, it should be possible to cut four thousand acres annually, and he was confident, from his view of the limits, that he could cut ten cords to the acre. This meant forty thousand cords annually, a theoretical income of some \$220,000, leaving a profit of some sixty thousand on the business. But actually it was impossible to handle affairs in this manner. Want of capital compelled the sub-leasing of tracts to the jobbers.

Looking through the books further, Hilary discovered that another man had a contract for driving lumber down Rocky River at fifteen cents the cord. This seemed to him clear waste, for the driving employed a relatively small number of men. Morris' method had evidently been, first, to bleed the

company in favor of the St. Marie; second, to perform his work with the minimum of personal labor, by the easy process of sub-leasing. And sub-leasing will eat into the receipts of the best-conducted business.

He was profoundly dissatisfied with this showing. It was clear that the property could have been made to pay—not handsomely, but well. Want of capital was the chief drawback. His uncle had been putting his hand into his pocket year after year to make good on the recurring deficits. The lease of the store was for three years, of which a year was still to run. Nothing could be done there, but Hilary resolved to increase the charge of the mill rights after October first. That should be the first leak to be stopped. He had twelve thousand dollars of his own, representing his savings of several years. He withdrew this sum from the New York bank and added it to the funds. By close scrutiny he evolved a method by which, with this increased mill rental and with the renewal of the jobbers' leases, he calculated that he might just manage to carry through the winter. But he would have to use every effort to get out a large shipment of lumber before navigation closed, early in December. If he was to keep things running until the St. Lawrence opened again in May.

It was a hard situation, for it meant that he must renew his leases at the jobbers' prices, and he saw that he would have to do diplomatically with Brouseau until he understood the situation better. The immediate task before him was to find the whereabouts of the missing lumber. Therefore Hilary awaited Leblanc's arrival with impatience.

Leblanc came into the office later in the day, with his truculent air, fixing Hilary with his good eye and the wall with the other. He sat down, decided to take off his hat, and deposited it on the floor between his feet.

"You wanted to see me, and I was coming into St. Boniface anyway," he announced.

"I want to find out what you have done with your lumber, Leblanc," said Hilary. "According to the books you cut four thousand cords last winter that never passed through the mill. Where are they?"

Leblanc leaned back and smiled. "That's all right, Mr. Askew," he said. "Mr. Morris understands."

"But I don't," Leblanc let his eyes wander crookedly about the office.

"You're fixed pretty comfortably here," he said. "I guess you fired Morris out for good, eh? All right, I'll sign on with you."

Hilary could not determine whether the man before him was innocent or merely the evasiveness of the habitant in business matters.

"You'd better answer my question, Leblanc," he suggested.

Leblanc picked up his hat and twirled it on his knee, smiling slyly. "You see here, young fellow," he answered. "You don't know the lumber game. You fire Mr. Morris, who knows his job, and now you want to pick a quarrel with me. How you suppose I'm going to pay my hands and make profit on three-inch trees, eh?"

"I guess you didn't pick worthless land to cut over," said Hilary. "He knew that Leblanc was lying. No doubt the rest had passed through the mill, accredited to the St. Marie Company, with a liberal rake-off for Leblanc. Still, he was in no position to force a quarrel at this juncture."

Leblanc threw back his head and laughed. "You sure don't know much of this business," he chuckled. "You think I got to take your lease? I can go to work for Monsieur Brouseau."

"Very good," said Hilary. "Good morning."

Leblanc stared at him, got up, and clapped on his hat.

"See here, young fellow," he belatedly, "you mean to tell me you don't want me on the Rosny tract? Where you get another boss jobber this time of year? How you work your limits when I take my jobbers and gangs across to Brouseau?"

"I don't know," answered Hilary, "but I'll find out."

Leblanc looked nonplussed. "You don't want me?" he demanded. "Why I got my camp ready, and gangs all ready to start from St. Marie next month."

"Take them to Brouseau."

"See here, I got to have that contract," cried Leblanc. "Mr. Morris promise it to me, and I hired my gangs."

"You seem to want it mighty badly," said Hilary quietly. "Well, Leblanc, if you feel that way I don't want to go back on Mr. Morris' word. But you'll have to cut two thousand cords a month."

They haggled over the terms. In the end a new lease was made out and signed, and Leblanc's new territory was marked off on a rough map which Hilary had found in Morris' desk. Le-

blanc departed jubilant. He had secured a good tract, with a panhandle running in toward St. Boniface along Rocky River, which he had demanded on the ground that there was a fine growth of swamp spruce in the bottoms there. As it was in Hilary's own interest that Leblanc should make as large a cutting as possible, he offered no objection, and the two parted on tolerable terms.

He should never have agreed to Leblanc's panhandle. In that he came to see Brouseau's first move—a little one, but significant of what was to be expected. Returning to the office a few days later, after a journey into the concession, he found Baptiste in a state of great excitement.

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THE ADVENT SEASON

The season of Advent, of which today is the first Sunday, begins the Ecclesiastical year. It opens with the Sunday nearest the Feast of St. Andrew, which occurs on November 30, and embraces the period between that Sunday and the Feast of Our Lord's Nativity.

Year by year, the Catholic Church wisely reviews, according to a well defined plan, the truths of Faith and the outstanding events in the life of her cherished Founder. She has established seasons and festivals by which she keeps fresh in the mind of the faithful those great truths and events which are needful for a lively Faith.

She has established the Advent season for the twofold purpose of reviewing the several thousand years of darkness which preceded the coming of our Saviour, and of inculcating the great significance of the Incarnation, which she solemnly observes on Christmas. The message of the Church for this season is the word of the Prophet Isaiah: "Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

In emphasizing this word to prepare, the Catholic Church has in mind the manner in which the new born King was received on the first Christmas. She realizes that unless the faithful prepare their hearts there will be no room in them for the Infant Saviour on Christmas morning, and He will be sent away as His Blessed Mother and St. Joseph were sent away when they sought shelter in the inns of Bethlehem. Therefore, the Church wishes us to observe this season of Advent in prayer and penance in order that we may be ready when the time for the coming of our Saviour is at hand.

Following the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord, the Catholic Church has her season for the contemplation of His hidden life, that period of time which elapsed before He left His home to begin His public life; then the Lenten season for the consideration of His sufferings and sorrows; this is followed by a period which is termed His glorious life—from His Resurrection to His Ascension. From Pentecost until Advent the Church presents Her Master as the Divine Teacher, both by word and example. On each Sunday of the various seasons one of the more important of His Parables, or Miracles, or Sermons is brought to the attention of the faithful for their instruction, and the building up of their spiritual life.

FAIL TO CRUSH RELIGION

The failure of the Soviets to completely exterminate religion in Russia has thrown the "Without God" party into a condition of extreme annoyance, and has inspired the Government to more vigorous measures for the attainment of the hoped-for end. This annoyance was voiced recently in the newspaper "Bezbojnik," the official organ of the "Without God" party in Moscow. The party, it seems, is particularly angry with the Catholic priests, whom the paper has denounced as the worst enemies of Communism.

The paper declares that, in spite of all efforts to supervise the religious life of the people, that is to prevent the existence of a religious life, the Catholics still persist in defying the secret police and frequent the Churches and hear Mass whenever possible.

The authorities are also endeavoring to further the anti-religious campaign by the free distribution of newspapers and other literature of a propagandist character, but even these methods are unsuccessful in completely downing the Catholic Church.

THEY ARE COMING CLOSER

Another British scientist, Professor J. S. Haldane, defends Christian revelation as it relates to the universe and the immortality of man.

He believes that the "cosmos is the progressive manifestation of God", and that "evidence for the existence of God is derived from the recognition in ourselves of the striving after truth, beauty and goodness." He completely disowns the idea that we are nothing more than "a series of obscure happenings on an obscure planet in a gigantic physical universe."

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Around The World In Ten Minutes

Compton Sees Life Beyond All Science

NEW HAVEN, CONN.—"Science does not supply a definite answer to the question 'Does death end all?'" said Professor Arthur H. Compton, Nobel Prize winner in physics, in speaking at Yale University in the second Terry lecture on "Science and Immortality."

"If one is to have either a positive faith in a future life or a conviction that death is the end such belief must, it seems to me, be based upon religious, moral or philosophical grounds rather than upon scientific reasoning," Dr. Compton said.

"Biologically speaking, life is essentially immortal. The apple may decay, but the seed grows into a new tree which flowers and begets new seeds. It is because we concentrate our attention upon the tree or the fruit that we fail to see the life of the seed. The apple seed, whether it be of an apple or of a tree, is immortal. It is essentially continuous and eternal."

The reply is heard, however, "Though my body may be merely the hull that surrounds the living germ, I want to know what will happen to me when the hull decays."

"To this question science has no straight-forward answer to give. For when you ask 'What will happen to me?' you are concerned not with your body, but with your consciousness, mind or soul, which is not material, and regarding which science can not directly concern itself."

All Faiths Praise Religious Teaching

NEW YORK CITY.—The common efforts of the Catholic, Jewish and Protestant churches in promoting weekday religious education for children of this city were praised by representatives of the three faiths as a powerful factor in uplifting the morals of the community through character-training among the young.

Leaders of the Catholic, Jewish and Protestant "Teachers' Associations" of this city, at a luncheon of 1,800 members of the latter group, joined with the clergy in reaffirming their spirit of cooperation in the interfaith attempts to spread the religious-education movement here.

The Rev. Dr. Edward Chandler Robins, Professor of Theology at the General Theological Seminary, told the teachers that in their "common undertaking to promote the religious and moral welfare of the children in our schools by means of religious education you are laying the strong foundations not only of religion but of morality. For if anything is plain today it is plain that the morals of a community are dependent upon religion," he said.

Social stability, altruistic service and moral temperance, he said, must begin with the character training of children, "which requires religious sanctions." "Only restoration of religious faith, belief and obligations for God has duties and obligations for us, can lift our moral standards," he asserted.

Msgr. Hickey bade the teachers to follow their mission steadfastly and Miss Clemency declared that "any education that leaves out entirely a relation to God is a one-sided education." Dr. Cohen commended the joint efforts of the three faiths and said it was an "adventure in understanding."

Church Relic Found By Princeton Party

PRINCETON, N. J.—A fourteenth-century figure of the Virgin, three-quarters life size, almost perfect in preservation and in full color had been the principal find of a group of Princeton University archaeologists who had continued their excavations of 1930 this summer at Angers, France, it was reported here recently. The former collegiate church of St. Martin at Angers, within which the excavations were conducted, is a complex of constructions ranging from the second or third centuries to the fifteenth and including distinct churches, each superimposed upon the ruins of the preceding church. It was during the excavation of this site that the statue of the Virgin was unearthed in a small, unknown subterranean chamber.

The figure of the Madonna was found to have the head broken off, while the infant had been completely gouged out. The head was immediately replaced, but the infant was never found. Although the exact origin and history of the statue remain unsolved, one plausible theory has been advanced that the canons of the church were aware of the impending desecration by the French revolutionists of 1793 and sought to save the Madonna from destruction by walling her into a secret treasure room. It has been definitely established that the revolutionary government terminated the ecclesiastical history of the Church of St. Martin in 1790, after which the structure served successively as a coal depot, a stable, a timber warehouse and a tobacco storehouse.

The statue is now permanently displayed in an old niche as one of the chief treasures of the ancient royal collegiate church. Competent authorities have ranked the Virgin among the first six pieces of fourteenth century sculpture, and the French Government has classified the statue as a "monument historique."

Chase Favors Amendment To Unify Divorce Law

NEW YORK CITY.—An amendment that would authorize Congress to pass a uniform marriage and divorce law was advocated recently by Canon William Sheafe Chase of Brooklyn in a radio debate over Station WOR with Arthur Garfield Hays on the subject: "Ought We to Have Easier Divorce Laws?"

"More than forty causes for absolute divorce are legal in the several States. Since what is legal in one State must be accepted as valid in every State, provided that the court granting the divorce has served the defendant with a personal service or provided he has voluntarily submitted to the jurisdiction of that court it comes to pass that the most lax law of the most careless State, like Nevada, Idaho and Arkansas, concerning divorce, practically becomes the law of every State. That renders our divorce laws already too easy. What we need, instead of forty-eight different marriage and divorce laws, one for each State, is one uniform marriage and divorce law for the whole country."

"I advocate an amendment to the Constitution of the United States which would authorize Congress to pass a uniform marriage and divorce law that would not compel any State which does not grant divorces for any cause to do so, nor would compel New York, which grants divorces only for the cause of adultery, to grant divorces for other causes, but would prevent Nevada, Idaho and Arkansas from granting divorces contrary to the amendment."

Priest Assails Colleges For Neglect of Religion

NEW YORK CITY.—American institutions of higher education were criticized for failure to emphasize religion by the Rev. James E. Noonan, pastor of St. Peter's Catholic Church, in a sermon urging increased support for the Catholic University of America.

"Religion," said Father Noonan, "is ignored in most of our institutions. Things are taught there that are against religion—things that ridicule religion—Catholic parents who send their children to such an institution imperil their faith. Religious truth is fast disappearing in our institutions and is considered of minor importance."

St. Peter's oldest Catholic parish in the city, celebrated its 146th anniversary last Sunday.

Pope Pius Reconstructs The Vatican Library

VATICAN CITY.—Pope Pius XI, a keen student of psychology, history and religion, is convinced that the chief source of international strife is due to a misunderstanding of beliefs of one another. In order to overcome these difficulties the Holy Father is having the Vatican Library reconstructed and modernized so that the priceless collection of more than half a million books and manuscripts may be available to visitors from all parts of the world, without regard to race, creed or color.

The Pontiff, a former librarian at the Vatican, is personally supervising the work, which is being done by Sneed & Co., library engineers of Jersey City. Working with His Holiness in the planning and execution of the work is Msgr. Eugene Tissierant, Pro-Prefect of the Vatican Library, and Angus S. Macdonald, president of the engineering company.

Mr. Macdonald returned recently from his third visit to Rome for conference with the Pope regarding the progress of the work. Mr. Macdonald, who is a Protestant, is one of few American laymen who has held lengthy informal conversations with His Holiness. He finds Pius XI "one of the world's greatest statesmen, an indefatigable worker, and a man of wide human sympathies and friendly understanding—with a ready smile."

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REV. A. J. C.

Yonkers, N. Y., Nov. 7, 1931

Dear Bishop Noll:
It is gratifying to observe that many are heeding your remedy for our many ills; viz. PRAYER. In taking up our parish census since October 13th., I asked every family if they were trying to comply with the wish of the Holy Father in reciting the Rosary aloud together in the homes. I also asked if the heads of families said aloud the GRACE before and after meals? I was sadly disappointed to find that less than 5 per cent practiced these little helps for keeping and cultivating love for our holy faith with their children. We have perhaps as good a Catholic parish as any in our Archdiocese, but this dry-rot I would call it of no Christian stimulus at home; and expecting the good Sisters and Priests to make Saints of

Columbus Memorial A Unique Design

SANTO DOMINGO.—The long-discussed memorial to Christopher Columbus is now to become a reality as a result of one of the most important architectural competitions of modern times. The prize-winning design, a lighthouse in the form of a cross, is the work of an English architect only 24 years old—J. L. Gleave of Nottingham. In its memorial chapel there will be a tomb where the bones of Columbus, which some students believe to be in the Cathedral of Santo Domingo, will be laid.

The winning design was selected by an international jury of architects from a group of ten recently placed on exhibition in Rio de Janeiro's Academy of Art. In commenting the Gleave model the jury stated that the finished memorial "should appear in its stark simplicity as though reared by the elemental forces which shaped the island itself. The site chosen for the Columbus Cross, as the lighthouse will be known, faces Santo Domingo harbor, and is one that will lend itself to the tropical landscaped setting being planned for the gray monument."

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The Bishop Confirms 570 At South Bend

The Rt. Rev. John F. Noll confirmed 570 children at solemn services held Sunday, November 22, in the Sacred Heart Belgian church on West Thomas street.

The Bishop was assisted by the following priests: the Rev. Taraleus O. F. M., pastor of St. Stephen's church, as deacon; the Rev. Benedict O. F. M., assistant pastor of St. Stephen's church, as subdeacon; the Rev. Theodore Hammes, pastor of St. Matthew's church, master ceremonies.

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock the Bishop confirmed a class of 240 in the church of the Holy Family.

Sunday evening at 7:30 held Confirmation services were held in St. Joseph's church, where 160 children were confirmed.

CARD PARTY

The auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus entertained with a card party Thursday, November 19, in the home of Mrs. Joseph Kish, 303 S. Main St.

There were Mrs. Joseph Kish, Mrs. Mahler, Mrs. Fred Coffield, Mrs. Hartzer, Mrs. Jacob Singler, Mrs. Oetle Kruger, Mrs. John Deming, Mrs. Herbert Goheen, Miss Genevieve Everett and Miss Isabelle Bauer.

ENTERTAINS ROSARY SODALITY

Peter Schumacher, 323 West 10th street, was hostess to St. Joseph's Rosary Sodality Tuesday night, Nov. 17. At bridge high score was set by Mrs. Gertrude Clauer, a bunco was presented by Mrs. Fred Stockinger. Mrs. Stockinger will entertain the girls Dec. 9, in her home, 402 W. 10th Street.

Surprised was the Rev. Anthony, assistant rector of St. Joseph's church, when he returned to his room Wednesday and failed to find his key in its accustomed place. Some one had gained entrance to the room and his absence by forcing open the windows on the first floor of the rectory.

The Knights of Columbus hall in South Bend was the scene of a card party held by the Daughters of Isabella for the members and their friends on the evening of Friday, November 19.

The Rt. Rev. George Finnegan, bishop of Helena, Mont., was a visitor at the Notre Dame campus during the game last week. Bishop Finnegan is a former vice-president of the Notre Dame and at one time held the position of provincial of the Holy Cross order.

NOTRE DAME NEWS

MASSSES AT NOTRE DAME SUNDAY LISTED

The Rev. Matthew Walsh, C. S. C., pastor of the Sacred Heart church at the campus during the student game last week, Sunday morning, Nov. 22, at 9 o'clock, Sunday morning. The church was the scene of Masses for visitors beginning at 6 o'clock Sunday morning. Thousands of football fans who were at the Notre Dame game attended Masses.

ROBERT C. STREB RECEIVES COMMISSION

Robert C. Streb, a senior in the college of Commerce, has been notified by the State Reserves of this district that he is to receive a commission in the Indiana State Reserves.

THE REV. EDWARD O'HARA TALKS TO STUDENTS

The Rev. Edward V. O'Hara, of West Falls, Mont., addressed the students of St. Mary's college Monday evening in St. Angela hall. He told them of his trip to Rome last summer when he represented the United States at the celebration of the 40th anniversary of Pope Leo XIII's encyclical on faith.

Although no official figures have been disclosed, it is believed that the amount collected at the Notre Dame-Southern California game here last week for the Rockne Memorial fund was exceedingly low when compared to the great number of people who attended the contest. Officials in charge of the drive at Notre Dame have announced that there has been no check of the contributions made at the stadium.

Immediately preceding the contest, Lucas, advertising manager of the Studebaker Corp., addressed the crowd at the stadium and revived the memory of Rockne in the minds of those present. Lucas lauded Rockne for his clean living on the part of the team and his clean living on the part of the man of today.

Following Lucas' address, Boy Scouts passed through the stands and collected the subscriptions to the fund which will be used in the erection and maintenance of the Rockne Memorial house on the Notre Dame campus.

ELKHART

ALTAR SOCIETY SUPPER

The Altar Society supper held in the school hall Saturday, Nov. 21, was very successful. Between 300 and 400 people were served.

"J" CLUB

Eighteen members of the "J" Club met Tuesday, Nov. 17, with Miss Mary

Nye, 117 Pacific st. Miss Mary Newcomb and Miss Mary Louise Holtz were taken in as new members. Twenty completed garments were turned in and more were distributed. Miss Anne Collins and Miss Florence Kretschmer were appointed to cut the next lot.

DANCE AND CARD PARTY

The most successful affair of the season was held Thursday evening, Nov. 19, by the Young Ladies' Sodality. About 350 people were present. In the basement 36 tables of bridge and pinochle were in play. Table prizes were given. About 200 people attended the dance in the hall.

MISHAWAKA

The marriage of Miss Florence Landuyt, daughter of Charles Landuyt, West Ninth St., took place Wednesday, Nov. 18, in St. Bavo's church in Mishawaka. The Rev. Otto Keller officiated at the ceremony. Miss Adeline Sergeant, Miss Mary Van Regenmortel, Henry Biesbroeck and George Landuyt.

Officers and prefects of St. Monica's Rosary society met Friday afternoon, Nov. 20, in the home of Mrs. Willard Harris, 302 Twenty-eighth St., Mishawaka.

A wedding of extreme interest to residents of Mishawaka and South Bend took place in St. Patrick's church last Sunday when Miss Helen Keller, daughter of Mrs. Rex LaDow, 802 East Fourth St., was united in marriage to Mr. Warren Souder on Monday, Nov. 16. Miss Mary Warwick and Mr. Wilfred Snyder attended the couple in the ceremony.

All of Mishawaka's hotels were filled to capacity on the occasion of the Notre Dame-Southern California game in South Bend last week. Many distinguished guests were registered at the leading hotels in the Mishawaka district.

Forty hours' devotion was held in St. Monica's church in Mishawaka over the past week-end. The Rev. Anthony Babina was in charge of the services.

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ANDERSON D. OF I. MEET

Travers Circle 226 of the Daughters of Isabella had installation of officers last Thursday night followed by a social hour. Mrs. C. K. Richwine, past regent of the Circle was the installing officer. Those filling offices this year are: Regent, Mrs. B. I. Baumer; Past Regent, Mrs. C. K. Richwine; Vice Regent, Mrs. C. K. Steinel; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Helen Wells; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Fern Lohr; Treasurer, Mrs. Leo Koester; Chancellor, Mrs. M. E. Barsha; Custodian, Mrs. Joseph Miller; Monitor, Mrs. Anthony King; First Guide, Mrs. Wm. Casey; Second Guide, Mrs. Henry Schroeder; Banner Bearer, Mrs. Horace Bensfield; Inner Guard, Mrs. Mary Finley; Outer Guard, Miss Ethel Broderick; Three-year Trustee, Mrs. Fred Herdering; Two-year Trustee, E. O. Schronz; One-year Trustee, Mrs. Chas. Dearing; Scribe, Mrs. H. V. Patterson; Organist, Miss Mary Sullivan; Registrar, Mrs. Fred Barr.

Following installation a pantomime, "The Lamp Went Out" was presented to a large gathering.

A lunch was served as a conclusion to the evening's entertainment. Mrs. Fern Lohr was general chairlady of the following committee: Lunch committee, Miss Alice Kigi, Miss Lucy Mudd, Miss Alice Kigi, Miss Honora Dearing, Miss Mary Barsha; Program committee, Miss Emma Miller, Miss Bertha Brown.

Mrs. B. I. Baumer, regent, was elected delegate to the State convention to be held at Greensburg, Ind., Nov. 20, 21, 22. Mrs. C. K. Richwine was elected alternate.

The circle voted to give a benefit card party in Mungovan Hall on Tuesday evening, Nov. 24. Each person will be asked to bring a pound of food for the Thanksgiving baskets to be distributed among the needy families.

A meeting for the purpose of re-organizing the St. Lawrence Troop of Boy Scouts was held Tuesday evening at the St. Lawrence's school hall. The meeting was in charge of the Rev. E. J. Houlihan and the Rev. Anthony Quinslain.

A successful five and ten cent bazaar was held Monday and Tuesday evenings at St. Mary's hall. The Rev. Edgar Cyr, pastor, and members of the committee are to be congratulated upon their untiring efforts for the success of the affair. The proceeds will be used for the parish fund. The committee was Mr. and Mrs. Casimir Schack, Miss Mary Green, Mr. and Mrs. John Bauer, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dolan, Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry O'Neil, George and Raymond Leishah, Augustine Mascari, Miss Alice Mary O'Toole, Miss Mary Carter, John O'Toole, Miss Pansy Tarr and Miss Rosemary Carey.

Elwood Church To Mark Fiftieth Year

On Sunday, November 29, St. Joseph's parish, Elwood, will commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the dedication of the first little mission church which was erected in that city in the year 1881.

The church was a small brick building, 25x40 feet in dimensions. It was constructed at a cost of \$1,500.00. St. Joseph's parish consisting at that time of twenty families. The Rt. Rev. Joseph Dwenger, the second Bishop of the diocese of Fort Wayne, officiated at the dedication and the Rev.

John B. Crawley attended the Elwood mission from Anderson.

No elaborate plans have been made for the celebration of this golden jubilee, and the observance will be of a strictly religious nature.

It is the purpose of the members of the parish to offer a spiritual tribute of fifty thousand Holy Communions during the year 1931, the golden jubilee year; and since the mission church was dedicated during the Thanksgiving season, it has been suggested by the pastor of the parish that a thanksgiving offering for five thousand and Communion be made from Thanksgiving day, Nov. 26, to the feast of the Immaculate Conception, December 8.

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"CENTRALITE" RECEPTION

Seniors of the Catholic Central High school, Hammond, are departing somewhat from the traditional entertainment during the Thanksgiving recess. During previous years a dance was sponsored by members of the Senior and Junior classes for this event. However, Seniors this year are planning a reception for the parents and friends of all of the students. They will endeavor to arrange a program accordingly so that everyone will be given an opportunity of spending an agreeable evening with the possibility of the establishment of new friendships and acquaintanceships.

Friday evening, November 27th, 8 p. m., will open the informal party with games of cards and bunc. At a quarter past nine there will be an intermission, during which the official greeters of the event, Irvin Liesenfeld, Leo de St. Aubin, Joseph Semanek and Frank Pustek will do their bit to introduce folks.

After the conclusion of this ceremony an "all" senior orchestra will entertain the guests with airs adapted from popular songs in a quadrille in which old and young will mingle probably in amusing fashion. Michael Klitch, Dolores Scherer, Mary Bleker, Theresa Sieracki, Ed. Niemc, Anthony Zato, Chester Wiekilinski, Mary Burjanek, Stane Stanich and Joseph Gajda are the senior representatives on the school orchestra.

At 10:30 p. m. a light luncheon and refreshment will be available in the cafeteria. The young ladies of the school will assist in preparing and serving the repast.

Besides the names already mentioned the following members of the senior group will be prominently active in aiding to make the evening a social success: Gilbert Crist, class president, Robert Boyle, John Bogner, Roma Murphy, Anna Omilianowski, Sylvia Stark, Frances Wachewicz and Alice Bronkowsk.

Seniors and Juniors extend greetings and a cordial invitation to their friends.

LOGANSPOUT

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AUXILIARY TO A. O. H. CONDUCTS MEETING

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the A. O. H. met in regular session Tuesday evening, November 17, at the Logansport Catholic hall. During the business session plans were made for election of officers and a social meeting to be held early in December.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA HOLD SOCIAL SESSION

Daughters of Isabella met for their monthly social session Wednesday evening, November 18, in the K. of C. hall, Logansport.

Prizes at euchre and bridge were awarded Mrs. Dwyer, Mrs. White, Mae Noel and Mrs. Krantz. Miss Alberta Harlan received the free for all.

CATHOLIC RAILROADER WILL GO ON PENSION

John J. Fitzgerald, well known Logansport Catholic and passenger engineer on the Indianapolis division of the Pennsylvania will be retired from active service December 1. He has served the company for the past 46 years.

Fitzgerald was born on Logansport September 3, 1885, and was first employed by the company as a blacksmith helper in April, 1888. He remained in the position until 1894 and then was promoted to the position of fireman and later returned to the Logansport division as blacksmith helper.

ROCKNE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE MAKES PROGRESS

The Logansport committee of the Rockne Memorial Association made splendid progress in selling of tickets for the picture "The Spirit of Notre Dame," shown for three days at the Paramount Theatre and received a share of the profits for their fund.

Men comprising the ticket committee were Harold Tuberty, Paul Bott, Bud Kammerer, Edward Malay, Homer Stonebraker, Jack Thornton, Mike Dwyer, Roy Sykes, Edward Mucker, Frank Kleny and Albert Drumm.

EDWARD M. KELLY, 72, DIES AT LOGANSPOUT

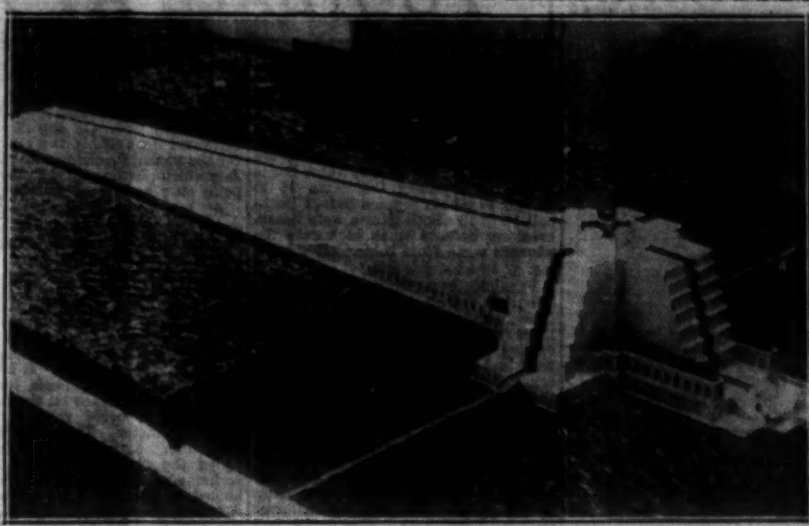
Funeral services were held at 9 o'clock Monday morning, November 23, from St. Vincent's church for Edward M. Kelly, 72 years old, who died Thursday afternoon at his home in Logansport. Mr. Kelly had been ill for more than a year. He was a member of Logansport Council No. 561, Knights of Columbus. Surviving are three sons, Sylvester of Logansport and South Bend, Elmer E. and Fred P. of Gary and three daughters, Laura and Mrs. John Frushour at home and Mrs. Raymond Ringer of Kewanna.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PIN LEAGUE STARTS

The first round of games in the Knights of Columbus bowling league was played Tuesday night, November 17, at the Logansport alleys with teams No. 3, 5 and 2 leading.

Captain Emerson's team, No. 1, totaled 1865; Captain Elper's team, No. 3, totaled 1679; Captain Dunn's

Columbus Memorial



The Columbus Cross, the design selected for the lighthouse memorial to Christopher Columbus to be erected at Santo Domingo, capital of the Dominican Republic. A navigator's beacon will shine from the highest point of this cruciform structure to guide ships at sea, while light streaming through clefts in the memorial will form a cross to guide aviators at night. The memorial, a project of "the Governments and people of America," is to be built in a 2,500-acre park with driveways along the Caribbean Sea. A particular feature of the structure is a memorial chapel in which it is planned to give the remains of Columbus a permanent resting place. The winning design was prepared by J. L. Gleave, a 24-year-old English architect, and is said to exhibit directness, simplicity and force. The competition, in which more than 450 architects took part, is said to have been the largest in the world's history.

MSGR. EDW. A. PACE WILL RECEIVE NOVEL 70th BIRTHDAY GIFT

Washington.—A volume of essays in the fields of Philosophy, Psychology and Education, written in his honor by close associates and former pupils, will be presented to the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward A. Pace, Vice-rector of the Catholic University of America, at the annual meeting of the American Catholic Philosophical Association, to be held at St. Louis University, December 29 and 30.

The presentation, marking Monsignor Pace's seventieth birthday, will take place at the Association's annual dinner, December 29. Monsignor Pace has long been one of the best known and most influential figures in Catholic thought in America. He was the first president of the American Catholic Philosophical Association and one of the editors of the Catholic Encyclopedia from the inception of that monumental work. In the field of Psychology, as a pupil of Wilhelm Wundt, the German Psychologist, he founded one of the first psychological laboratories in America at the Catholic University.

In Philosophy, Monsignor Pace is widely known. He is head of the Department of Philosophy at the Catholic University, and was one of the founders of the American Catholic Philosophical Association, as well as co-editor, with the Rt. Rev. Msgr. James H. Ryan, Rector of the Catholic University, of The New Scholasticism, the Association's journal. In addition, Monsignor Pace has been closely identified with the work of the National Catholic Educational Association. He is a member and former chairman of the American Council on Education, and a member of the National Advisory Committee on Education.

Card. Mundelein Sees Pope Called Upon to Be Almoner of World

Chicago.—His Holiness Pope Pius XI is called upon to be the almoner of the world, His Eminence George Cardinal Mundelein, Archbishop of Chicago, declares in an appeal he has issued to his people on behalf of the Peter's Pence.

His Eminence described some of the ways in which the Holy Father uses the money at his disposal pointing out that "money to him means nothing except in as far as he can bring help to others; that with himself and with those about him, he is parsimonious; to those who need help he is generous to a fault."

Invalid Priest-Writer Visits His Aged Parents

Cleveland.—Bed-ridden for nearly ten years, the Rev. John S. Zyburka has just returned to Cleveland after a long absence to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Zyburka, 96 and 90 years old respectively. Although confined to his bed, Father Zyburka has won fame through his writings on philosophical subjects.

team, No. 4, totaled 1849; Captain Moran's team, No. 5, totaled 1823; Captain Egan's team, No. 6, totaled 1704; and Captain Power's team, No. 2, totaled 1484.

SE. ANN'S CHURCH FAIR IS HELD AT KEWANNA

A feature of St. Ann's church fair held at Kewanna on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, November 24 and 25, was the awarding of a free Thanksgiving Day dinner.

TERRY SHEHAN, 81, OF DELPHI IS DEAD

Terry Shehan, 81, of Delphi, died at St. Elizabeth's hospital, Lafayette, Tuesday, November 17, from complications resulting from a fractured hip. The elderly man who was a native of Ireland had long been a resident of Delphi and community.

Funeral services were held Friday morning at 9:00 o'clock from St. Joseph's church and burial made in St. Joseph's cemetery.

Editor Stresses Need For Catholic Leaders Academically Trained

Bloomington, Ind.—More than 100 Catholic students of the University of Indiana, all members of the Newman Club, received Holy Communion in a body at the Church of St. Charles Borromeo, here, Sunday. The Rev. Paul Deery, founder of the Indiana University chapter, was celebrant of the Mass. After Mass the club met at a Communion breakfast at which Paul R. Martin, editor of The Indiana Catholic and Record of Indianapolis, was the principal speaker. Mr. Martin spoke on "The New Paganism and Catholic Lay Leadership."

Mr. Martin pointed out that there is a great need for lay leaders who are academically trained, in view of the fact that the new paganism which is manifesting itself so strongly nowadays, has had its rise, he said, in a so-called intellectuality and must be met with intellectual weapons. He said that the Church has the right to look for its lay leaders among those who have had the advantage of university education, and that those who have been educated in the secular universities cannot sit back complacently, leaving the task of leadership entirely to those who are graduates of Catholic institutions of higher learning.

Priest Invents Device For Writing Music

ROME.—An Italian priest has invented two machines for mechanically writing musical scores which promise an increased output of Italian operas and musical compositions.

Father Garzi don Nicola, of Cortona, has applied for a patent on a secret process which permits a composer to record his score while playing the piano.

The delicate instrument is attached to the keyboard and as the composer picks out the notes of his new score the proper notes are registered on a musical staff. This prevents the musician from forgetting certain combinations of notes which he has produced.

Father Garzi is also the inventor of a typewriter which writes musical characters. The machine closely resembles an ordinary typewriter, except the keyboard contains musical notes instead of letters, and is able to regulate its impression upon the paper in such a way that the notes are placed in their proper position in the musical staff.

Italians, who recently read reports that a German, Herr Gustave Rundtatter, at Frankfurt, has invented a typewriter for writing musical scores, insist Father Garzi was the first to perfect such a machine. Public records show Father Garzi completed his invention on May 21, 1919, when he applied for a patent.

His newest invention, the piano attachment, has not yet been released, but its possibilities are said to be even greater than the musical typewriter.

Catholic Girl's Poster Wins State Contest

Clinton, Iowa.—The winning poster in the state contest sponsored by the Iowa Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs was contributed by Mary L. Smith, a Senior at Our Lady of Angels' Academy, here, according to an announcement made recently.

Miss Smith's poster will be entered in the national contest. The winning poster in the national contest will be used in art work for the observance of National Women's Week in March.

Fr. Nell Will Address Farm Women's Session

Chicago.—Announcement was made recently by the American Farm Bureau Federation that the Rev. George M. Nell, of Effingham, Ill., will be the principal speaker before the second annual national farm women's conference, December 4, which will precede the thirteenth annual convention of the Federation. Father Nell will discuss ways by which the rural church can better serve the farm home and rural communities.

ANNUAL DONATIONS TO HOME MISSIONS; RECORD AID GIVEN

Chicago.—That Catholic families, in many instances hard hit by present economic conditions, are continuing to be most generous in their support of their Church was revealed at the annual meeting of the American Board of Catholic Missions which concluded here recently. There were 46 Bishops from the United States in attendance to present personal accounts of diocesan missionary needs for the next 12 months. Eight other dioceses presented their reports in writing.

His Eminence George Cardinal Mundelein, Archbishop of Chicago, as president of the Board, reported on the collection and disbursement of home mission funds for the past year. According to the executive secretary of the Board, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Eugene J. McGuinness, the disbursements were the largest in the history of the Board, amounting to \$431,717.92, which was most gratifying, considering general conditions.

Allocation Based on Needs

Allocation of disbursements to the various dioceses and to missionary activities for the ensuing year will be based on the needs outlined at the meeting, and the size of the grants will be determined by the board, which, in addition to Cardinal Mundelein and Monsignor McGuinness, is composed of the Most Rev. Francis C. Kelley, secretary; the Most Rev. John F. Noll, treasurer; the Most Rev. Michael J. Curley, the Most Rev. Albert T. Daege, O.F.M., and the Most Rev. Hugh C. Boyle.

Chicago, New York and Springfield, Mass., were the leading dioceses during the last year in the matter of contributions, according to the annual report of the Board, with Pittsburgh fourth, Philadelphia fifth and Baltimore sixth. Pittsburgh Catholics contributed just \$14 more than those of Philadelphia.

The Diocese of Fort Wayne contributed \$8,326, besides a designated gift of \$400; Cincinnati, \$8,947.42; Cleveland, \$5,000; Indianapolis, \$3,000, and Columbus, \$1,000.

Holy Name Speakers' Bureau Will Present Talks On Encyclicals

Morristown, N. J.—The speaking campaign of the Speakers' Bureau of the Newark Diocesan Federation of the Holy Name Society, which will open the first week in December, will this year feature addresses based on the Encyclicals, Rerum Novarum and Quadragesimo Anno, it was disclosed here at the retreat for the speakers given at the Loyola House of Retreats by the Rev. William L. Lonergan, S. J., associate editor of America.

Death of Son Recalls Jos. Hansom, Catholic Inventor of Famed Cab

London.—Joseph Stanislaus Hansom, who has died here at the age of 86, was the son of Joseph Aloysius Hansom, inventor of the Hansom cab which was popular on London streets until the coming of the taxi.

One or two specimens of the Hansom cab still ply for hire among the west-end theater crowd.

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PROMINENT IN THE OUTSTANDING HEADLINES OF THE DAY'S NEWS

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich.—When Pope Pius XI early this month made Martin H. Carmody his private gentleman in waiting of cape and sword he added to the laurels from Church and state which have come to Mr. Carmody in recent years. Since early months Mr. Carmody has been prominently identified with the Knights of Columbus, the order of which he is Supreme Knight a few years ago and re-elected him to the post at succeeding conventions. His duties have taken him to New Haven a great deal, where he spends most of his time.

ST. JOSEPH'S, Ind.—Collecting cherished heirlooms of Mark Twain's in the hobby of the Rev. James St. Joseph's Catholic Church here. In addition to a pen used by America's first great humorist, Father Kane has a number of other articles used by Samuel Clemens—better known as Mark Twain—when he penned "Tom Sawyer," "Huckleberry Finn," "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court" and other stories dear to the heart of readers young and old. All articles in the collection have the official stamp of the Mark Twain Memorial Society.

ATOHISON, Kansas.—When Professor C. E. Rogers of the Kansas State Agricultural College recently wrote that there was only one religious daily in the United States he was promptly corrected by alert members of the St. Benedict's College Press Club. Mr. Rogers is a senior and is chairman of the college news bureau. He is also editor of "The Raven," which is the college annual, and which this year is being dedicated to the Catholic Press of the United States.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Is he or isn't he a member of the Church? The question has been asked countless times since the dynamic Dino Grandi, Italian Farm Minister, came to Washington the other day with his charming wife. The impression prevails that this thirty-six-year-old diplomat, who holds a powerful position in the Fascist State, was reared a Catholic. His visit proved one of the most impressive a diplomat has made to Washington in a long time.

NEW YORK.—For a long time John McCormack enjoyed the reputation of being one of the most willing volunteer concert singers in America. He still enjoys that reputation, but it is generally conceded that he no longer shares a part of it with Maria Jerita, who has sung recently for the Knights of Columbus Charity Fund at the Metropolitan Opera House and who is ever willing to lend her talents to worthy projects.

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CHILDREN'S COLUMNS

"Suffer the little children, and for bid them not to come to me..."

THE REV. F. J. McLAUGHLIN, Our Sunday Visitor, Huntington, Indiana Editor Children's Page.



FOR CHILDREN OF ALL GRADES

The Little Children's Column.

(Find the answers to these questions yourself and you will not forget them)

THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Penance

Is it enough just to tell God you are sorry for your sins?

Must you also tell Him you will try not to sin again?

Must you ask Jesus to help you to be a good child?

If you say you are sorry, but you are going right out and do the same bad things again, is your confession a good confession?

All little children who know about Jesus, love Him. They would not do a thing to hurt Jesus, because they love Him so much. So, when you happen to do something wrong, such as telling lies, or disobeying your parents, you are sorry because Jesus told you not to do those things.

When a child does something and is scolded by mother or father, the child says: "I am sorry, and I won't do it any more."

That is what we must say to Jesus, when we go to confession, and tell Him we are sorry. We must also tell Him "We will try our very best not to do those bad things any more."

If a little boy came up to you and hit you, you would feel kind of mad at him. But if he told you he was sorry, you would say, "O, that's all right." Then he hit you again right away, and said to you, that he was sorry, you might say, "Well, it is all right this time, but do not do it again." Then he hit you the third time, and told you he was sorry, you would know that he did not mean that he was SORRY at all, and that he might hit you again, as soon as he got near you.

Now when we tell Jesus we are SORRY for our little faults and sins, we should mean what we say. And, we must tell Him we will try hard never to do those things again. When we say this, we should MEAN it. And, remember that Jesus will always be willing to help us to be good, if we only ask Him and try ourselves to be good.

It is easier to sail with the tide than against it. Never raise for yourself waves on the ocean of life—you can sail more easily on placid waters.

What Children from 10 Years to 12 Should Know.

(Find the answers to these questions yourself and you will not forget them)

THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Penance

What do you mean by a "resolution to do better?"

Why must we "promise to do better," if we wish to receive the Sacrament of Penance worthily?

Do you think a child is really sorry for his sins, if he does not TRY to do better afterward?

What do you think are the best ways to keep ourselves from sin every day?

Read this lesson carefully and remember it. Children of your ages are often very careless about getting themselves ready for a good confession. They go into church with the other children, and sometimes they are looking around, and even smiling or whispering. Then their turn comes to go to confession and they jump up and are not really ready. They have not really prayed, they have not examined their consciences, and they have not thought of how their little sins offend Jesus.

Every child that gets ready for a good confession, will not only be very, very sorry for having broken one of God's Laws, but he will also bow his head and whisper to Jesus that he will try his level best not to break the Law of God again. Then the child should pray and ask God's help, in order to keep the "good resolution."

This is a very necessary part of the preparation for a good confession. It is also a good sign that you mean what you say, and that you intend to do better in the future.

One who has sinned and been forgiven, should take every possible means of overcoming temptations in the future. For instance, morning and evening prayers are a great help. The evening prayers should include a sincere act of contrition and renewal of the "good resolutions."

By the very fact of creation, the creature is bound to God by the most sacred relationship. This relationship is religion, strong, certain, and effective.

For Pupils of Higher Grades.

(Find the answers to these questions yourself and you will not forget them)

THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Penance

What is meant by "firm purpose of amendment?"

Why is this so necessary for a worthy reception of Penance?

Name the "FIVE" qualities which our "Purpose of amendment" should have?

Give a short explanation of each quality?

Conversion means a change of heart by which we resolve to enter upon a new life. It is not merely the external ceremony of the Sacrament of Penance, nor is it the verbal expression of our sorrow for our sins. It is a "change of heart"; a real determination of will to amend our lives. It also includes a disposition of our souls to avoid both sin and the dangerous occasions that lead to sin.

To say we hate sin and that we are resolved to avoid it in the future, then to throw ourselves into the occasions of sin, is simply to resolve in WORDS and not in HEART. Such a resolution is not SINCERE.

All good people WISH to avoid sin, but the firm purpose of amendment requires us to be DETERMINED to avoid sin, and to use all possible means for avoiding sin. This makes our determination FIRM, and not merely a self-delusion. Moreover, every kind of sin must be included, especially MORTAL sins. We cannot be truly sorry for ONE mortal sin, and still be attached to another mortal sin. There must be no reserved sins in our resolutions.

How terrible we would feel if we were caught committing a mortal sin. That is a human or natural motive for avoiding sin. Our motive should be a SUPERNATURAL one, namely, springing from the love of God, or the fear of God. In this way, we would not only hate past sins, but would be resolved against all future sins.

Be in earnest, children, when preparing for the reception of this great Sacrament. Contrition is more true, when the "firm purpose of amendment" is "sincere," "firm," "universal" and "supernatural."

CHILD'S LESSON FROM TODAY'S GOSPEL

First Sunday of Advent.

The time of Advent, children, should bring a feeling of joy to your young hearts. There are only four Sundays during Advent and then—then—Christmas! That does sound good to all children.

This Sunday is also known as the First Sunday of the Church Year. January 1st, is the first day of our ordinary calendar, but the Church begins her list of feasts and mysteries today. The Church is our Mother, and as dear children we should follow where our Mother Church leads us.

You will notice that the vestments worn by the priest at Mass on Sundays of Advent are violet, or purple. Purple means royalty as well as penance. And so during Advent we are getting ourselves ready to receive again spiritually, the Royal Infant Jesus, on His humble throne at Bethlehem. And, in penance, we should pray more and better, and offer up our daily trials and sufferings to the Infant Jesus. Gather together a little present for Jesus on His Birthday, Christmas.

What will you have ready for Him? He does not want money or toys or greeting cards. He wants our hearts and our love. He wants us to love Him above everything and every person. It will be easy then to please Him and meet Him in spirit at Bethlehem. Let us keep this thought before us each day during the few weeks of Advent.

"It is now the hour for us to rise from sleep." Just as we make some good resolutions on January 1st, so we can make some good resolution on this first day of Advent.

There were four thousand years that the people of the earth waited for the coming of the Saviour. They all looked and waited anxiously for Him, and we can wait anxiously for Him during these four weeks. Surely you care whether or not He comes to you, so prepare. Once He came, and no one would let Him into their houses on that cold winter night. He had to go to a poor cave. You will not receive Him like that? Your prayers, Masses and Holy Communion will help you in the best way to "get ready" for His coming.



I go to chant with Angel-throats The homage that to Thee belongs. Soon let me fly away, to join their songs!

Oh, let me die of love, I pray, One day!

Unto the Saint I shall be near To Mary, and those once treasured here.

Life is all past and dried in every tear,

To me my home again is given, In Heaven!

Written by St. Therese of Lisieux.

YOUR WORK

Do it cheerfully, even if it be not congenial.

Do it in the spirit of an artist, not an artisan.

Make it a stepping-stone to something higher.

Keep yourself in condition to do it as well as it can be done.

Endeavor to do it better than it has ever been done before.

Make perfection your aim and be satisfied with nothing less.

Do not try to do it with a part of yourself—the weaker part.

Recognize that work is the thing that dignifies and ennobles life.

Regard yourself as a co-worker with your Creator.

Accept the disagreeable part of it as cheerfully as the agreeable.

Believe in its worth and dignity, no matter how humble it may be.

Choose, if possible, the vocation for which nature has fitted you.

A small boy came to school one day with dirty hands.

"Tommy," the teacher said, "I wish you wouldn't come to school with such dirty hands. What would you say if I came to school with dust and ink all over my fingers?"

"I wouldn't say anything," answered the child promptly, "I'd be too polite."

We may have a confident hope of our salvation when we apply ourselves to relieve the souls in purgatory, so afflicted and so dear to God.—St. Alphonsus.

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A THOUGHT FOR THE ADVENT SEASON—SELF-INDULGENCE

The crying evil of the present day is the utter license of self-indulgence which is practiced by grown-up boys and girls and by young people generally. They seem to be strangers to the very principle of self-restraint. Whether they are wicked depends upon their circumstances and opportunities, but, in most cases, to be tempted is to yield. They may have learned their religion and frequented the Sacraments, but when it comes to evil companionship, or drink, or dishonesty, or to giving up going to Mass, or to abandoning their faith for a Protestant, or to engaging in a Protestant marriage—then it would seem as if they had no principle whatever, and had never been taught that a Christian's life must be a life of self-denial.

There can be no doubt that this is a defect of training. To make a child pious is not enough. To teach it to go to Confession and Communion, to sit in church and to sing hymns, is very good, as far as these things go, but unless it is exercised to obey on principle, and not for a person's sake, to bear on principle, to suffer inconvenience, to do such things on the Christian principle that we must be ready to put up with anything rather than offend God, and that we are no true followers of Jesus Christ if we will not deny ourselves for Him—unless this is a child's training, we are only rearing a weak and worthless generation, that will either abandon religion or disgrace it.

Two most useful principles may be laid down. First, let every man, woman and child practice self-denial in regular daily life. Grievous temptations to mortal sin are with most of us comparatively few. But when they do come, we inevitably fall if we have not the habit of denying ourselves. Let us all, then, practice this principle, like men who go into training. The other principle is this: in order to save your soul, deny yourself as to the occasions of sin, rather than wait for the temptation itself. And finally, let us sanctify the time by frequent meditation on our Lord's Sacred Passion. Here we shall find more instruction about self-denial than either books or sermons can give us; and it may be that He who reveals these things to the lowly heart may deign to teach us, if even dimly and vaguely, some of these divine secrets of the Cross which He has shown to His Saints.

WAS IT A DREAM?

By Antoinette Kuhn

My feverish brow a tender kiss Once in a deep, dark night of pain Felt in a sweet caress from Him, My God;

Sweet peace it did contain. His loving hand smoothed my hair And gently stroked my pale hot cheek; A calm crept then into my soul—

An ecstasy so restful, meek, My troubled slumber vanished then, My eyes I raised to look at Him, My Lover sweet; but saw no one Beside me there but darkness dim—

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THE DYING YEAR

The chill wind of November sighing As a knell for the year that is dying 'Tis the croon of departed souls crying:— Eternal Father, Thy Will be done.

The dead leaves of the season are falling Till trees stand like spectres appalling While from graves the departed are calling:— Eternal Father, Thy Will be done.

Forgotten poor souls gone before us Who constantly plead To us and FOR us. Still e'er chanting in solemn chorus:— Eternal Father, Thy Will be done.

Suffering THERE is many a mother Many a father, sister or brother; O, my God, let us help one another:— Eternal Father, Thy Will be done.

—Joseph Ryan.

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A New Saint Each Week to Love and Imitate

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- M.—St. Andrew, Apostle.
- T.—St. Natalia.
- W.—St. Bibiana.
- T.—St. Francis Xavier.
- F.—St. Barbara.
- S.—St. Sabbas.

Each day of the year the Church presents some Saint for our edification. We shall give you the daily list, and a short sketch of some saint.

THURSDAY—ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

All Catholic children are, or should be, enrolled in the Association of the Holy Childhood. By the prayers of the children, many little tots in foreign lands may be brought into the Church by the Sacrament of Baptism. Children's prayers are mighty in the work of bringing souls back to God.

St. Francis Xavier is Patron of the Missions. He was a young Spanish gentleman, who taught philosophy in the University of Paris. This was during the dangerous days of the Reformation and Francis seemed to have no higher aim than a professor until he was won over by St. Ignatius of Loyola.

After preaching amongst the people in Rome for twelve years, he was sent by St. Ignatius to preach the Gospel to the pagans of Hindoostan, Malacca and Japan. Many who should have helped him in this hard task were careless or covetous or jealous, but Francis worked on patiently. His love for souls overcame every difficulty, and many were brought to a knowledge of the teachings of Christ.

He wished to enlarge the field of his labors. He planned also to enter China and bring the light of the Gospel to that country. Millions of souls awaited him, but even as he was planning and preparing to enter China, God took Francis to his reward. This was in the year 1552.

There are hundreds of missionaries and brothers and sisters still working in Japan and China. They need your prayers, children, and, like the Little Flower, you can help daily if you but

remember to pray for the Missions. God has blessed us with Faith in Him, and He has given us the Sacraments. In thanksgiving to God we should pray that others, not of His Fold, should also receive these blessings and graces.

QUESTION BOX FOR CHILDREN

Frequently during the year children and parents write us asking for a simple explanation of questions proposed by children. This column is for religious questions only, and only for children and parents. Send in your questions to Editor of Children's Page, OUR SUNDAY VISITOR, Huntington, Indiana. Your full names and addresses will not be printed.

Must a priest give absolution to each person in case of fire or other general danger?—Mary Ann, Pittsburgh, Pa.

A general absolution is sufficient. Such an absolution is received by each one according to his disposition of heart. It is not necessary to give the Absolution to each one, in such circumstances.

Why is the skin above the elbow immodest and that below the elbow is not? A girl friend asked me and I could not answer her.—H. W., Fife Lake, Saskatchewan.

It may be difficult to convince your friend, but the upper part of the arm is considered slightly immodest. In order to safeguard this beautiful virtue it has been recently decreed by our Holy Father the Pope, that a sleeve above the elbow is immodest. The skin, or flesh is the same on the body. She might get some little light from that remark. The virtue of modesty is precious.

Is it proper to wear a sleeveless dress when going to Communion?—E. W., Erie, Pa.

No.

Have you the "Good Manners" in pamphlet form?—K. L., Ogden, Utah.

No, we have not. You might do as several children wrote me they are doing. You might cut out the parts from the Children's Page each week and make a small scrap-book of "Good Manners."

CHILD'S BIBLE HISTORY LESSON

In the eleventh chapter of the Gospel of St. Mark, children, we find a very sad and touching picture. Last week you learned about the joy and glad greetings which Jesus received as He drew near to the gates of Jerusalem. This is called His Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem.

As He rode along toward the city gates, the sight of the unhappy city made Him weep. He wept over the blindness of the people, shutting their eyes against the Light which He would give them. He wept because the unfortunate city refused the Peace which He would give them. Although they were singing His praises now, He knew they would soon finish their hateful work against Him by putting Him to death.

The destruction of Jerusalem could not have caused all His grief. He saw the loss of those souls who refused to accept Him, and to obey His teachings.

From the City Gates, Jesus went directly to the Temple, where He found men buying and selling and changing money. He said to them: "My house is a house of prayer, and you have made it a den of thieves." He overturned the tables, and drove the buyers and sellers away. The love of money had entered into the very sanctuary of the Temple, and it was the same curse which caused the traitor Judas to sell his Master for thirty pieces of silver.

With the Real Presence of Jesus in the Sacrament of the Altar, our churches are infinitely more holy than the temples of old. In our churches the Word of God is read and heard, the praises of God are sung and prayed, and sacrifices are offered. We should be more careful and devout at all times in the church. Silence and respect will enable us better to adore the Supreme Being. We would not wish Christ to be offended by our misconduct in the church. He might punish us and drive us out as He did the merchants and money changers from the Temple of old.

We should honor God in His saints, and beseech Him to make us partakers of the graces He poured so abundantly upon them.—St. Vincent de Paul.